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*Inherit the Wind* symbolism.

A symbol is an object that represents an ABSTRACT idea.

For each quote, explain the object and the idea that is expressed.

**1.**

**“(An organ-grinder enters with a live monkey on a string. Hornbeck spies the monkey gleefully; he greets the monkey with arms outstretched.) (Lawrence and Lee 16)**

**Hornbeck:**

**Grandpa!”**

1. What is the symbolic object?

2. What idea does it represent?

3. What does it show about Hornbeck that he uses this symbol?

**2. “A man who wears a cathedral for a cloak, a church spire for a hat, whose tred has the legions of the Lion-Hearted!” (Lawrence and Lee 17)**

1. Whom is the man he is talking about?
2. How does a cloak made of a church represent this person?
3. Does Hornbeck like this person? How does the symbol show his opinion?
4. **“B. Cates: boy-Socrates, latter-day Dreyfus, Romeo with a biology book.” (Lawrence and Lee 32).**
5. Whom is Hornbeck talking about?
6. What aspects the person’s personality are represented by these symbols?
7. Does Hornbeck like this person? How does the symbol show us his opinion?
8. **“I am both Poles and the Equator, with no Temperate Zones in between.” (Lawrence and Lee 33).**
9. Who says this?
10. What idea do the Poles and Equator represent?
11. What does it tell us about this speaker’s personality?
12. **“The Yesterday messiah, standing in the road alone in a cloud of flivver dust.” (Lawrence and Lee 35).**
13. Whom is Hornbeck speaking of?
14. What idea does the “Yesterday Messiah…standing…alone.” Represent?
15. Does Hornbeck like this person? How does this symbol show his opinion?
16. **“Conform! Conform! What do you want to do---run the jury through a meat grinder so they all come out the same?” (47).**
17. Who says this?
18. What does the symbol of a meat grinder mean?
19. How is the trial like a meat grinder?
20. **“All I want is to prevent the clockstoppers from dumping a load of medieval nonsense in the U.S. constitution.” (Lawrence and Lee 47).**
21. Who says this?
22. Whom does he believe is a clockstopper?
23. What does the symbol of a clockstopper mean?